

# Seek Economy At Arsenal Meeting Today

The newly-formed Shell Loading Integration committee met today at the Ordnance Ammunition center to discuss ways of saving money and increasing efficiency in munitions making.

Army Ordnance officers and civilian contractors who operate the center's ten shell-loading and assembly plants are members of the committee.

Brig. Gen. Joel G. Holmes, commanding officer of the Joliet center, directs operations at the ten plants and is chairman of the committee.

**HE IS ASSISTED** by J. N. Pearre, of the OAC's manufacturing division, who is deputy chairman. Maj. Melvin Johnson of the OAC is committee secretary.

All but one of the ten arsenals, Joliet Arsenal, are operated by the private industrial companies which hold cost-plus-fixed fee contracts with the Ordnance corps.

The plants, spread from Ohio to Nebraska and down to Texas, turn out nearly all U. S. production of artillery shells, bombs, mines, rockets and grenades. Altogether they employ more than 35,000 workers.